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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R., 1.56, and in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R., 1.96-1.98, Applicant requests that the documents listed in the accompanying Form PTO-1449 be considered in the above-captioned application. These documents have been previously submitted by the Applicant and/or the Examiner in a related application (Serial No. 09/187,200 filed November 6, 1998), and additional copies are therefore not enclosed herewith in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R., 1.98(d).

Identification herein is not an admission that any of the foregoing are prior art to the above captioned application.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of this application, and no fee is required in accordance with 37 C.F.R., 1.97(b)(1).

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Account No. 11-1410. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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